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**PENNSYLVANIA CHRISTMAS TREE GROWERS PARTICIPATE IN  
'TREES FOR TROOPS' NATIONAL CAMPAIGN**

**Christmas Tree Farms and FedEx Deliver Christmas Spirit to Troop Families**

HARRISBURG, PA- The Pennsylvania Christmas Tree Growers Association (PCTGA) is participating in the 2006 Trees for Troops Campaign sponsored by the Christmas SPIRIT Foundation, the National Christmas Tree Association, and FedEx Corp. This holiday season, Trees for Troops is expected to collect and deliver more than 11,000 real Christmas trees from 27 states to military families across the United States, as well as to soldiers serving overseas.

FedEx will be picking up trees at two locations in Pennsylvania- Yenser's Tree Farm in Lehighton, Carbon County; and Fleming's Christmas Tree Farms, LLC in Indiana, Indiana County. The trees are scheduled to be picked up in the beginning of December. The following Pennsylvania Christmas tree farms are donating to this year's program:

Abraczinskas Nurseries	Catawissa
Bizup Tree Farms	S. Plainfield, NJ
Bustard's Christmas Trees	Lansdale
Burlingames' Tree Farm	Benton
Carino Nurseries	Indiana
Christmas Tree Hill	Lehighton
Ecology III	Orangeville
E-Mar Acres Tree Farm	Saltsburg
Fleming's Christmas Tree Farms	Indiana
Frey Farms	Lehighton
Goldstrohm Tree Farm	Dayton
Heritage Acres Evergreens	Bloomsburg
Lenhart's Tree Farm	Mertztown
Lone Oak Farm	Monongahela

Jay & Stacy Michalik	Lehighton
Musser Forests, Inc.	Indiana
Old Homestead Tree Farm	Kunkletown
Pinecrest Tree Farm	New Ringgold
Roba Farms	Dalton
Schmidt's Tree Farm	Landenberg
Strathmeyer Forests, Inc.	Dover
Sugar Bend Tree Farm	Sugar Run
Walker's Tree Farm	Lehighton
Yenser's Tree Farm	Lehighton

The Trees for Troops program will collect and deliver freshly harvested trees to military bases in the United States along three regional routes (Western, Central, and Eastern) between November 27<sup>th</sup> and December 7<sup>th</sup>. Pennsylvania is a part of the east coast route that is taking trees to Fort Stewart, Savannah, GA; Fort Gordon, Augusta, GA; and McDill AFB, Tampa, FL. For more information on Trees for Troops, please visit [www.treesfortroops.org](http://www.treesfortroops.org).

#### About PCTGA

The Pennsylvania Christmas Tree Growers Association (PCTGA), with over 300 members, works to promote and develop a community of interest among growers of Christmas trees in Pennsylvania and adjoining states, as well as to raise public awareness about Christmas trees. PCTGA is an active participant in PA-Preferred, a program promoting Pennsylvania agriculture. To learn more about PA Preferred and products, visit [www.papreferred.com](http://www.papreferred.com). To find a Christmas tree grower near you, and for more information from the Pennsylvania Christmas tree authority, visit [www.christmastrees.org](http://www.christmastrees.org).

#### About FedEx Corp.

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#### About the Christmas Spirit Foundation

The Christmas SPIRIT Foundation – based on Chesterfield, MO, is a new not-for-profit foundation that advances the Christmas spirit for children, families and the environment. Trees for Troops is just one of its projects. For more details, go to [www.ChristmasSpiritFoundation.org](http://www.ChristmasSpiritFoundation.org).

#### About the National Christmas Tree Association (NCTA)

NCTA is the professional organization representing nearly 5,000 farms and retailers engaged in growing and selling Real Christmas Trees to nearly 30 million consumers. Based in Chesterfield, MO, NCTA's mission is to promote the use of Real Christmas Trees and support the industry that provides them. For more information, go to [www.realchristmastrees.org](http://www.realchristmastrees.org).

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